

SHELLED ALMONDS

We have some Fancy Shelled Almonds and will sell them at 50 cents per pound while they last.

Ross, Higgins & Co.

The Daily Astorian.

TELEPHONE 461.

THE WEATHER.

PORTLAND, Nov. 17.—Oregon, Idaho and Washington, occasional rain.

SPECIAL SALE OF

Dress Goods

THIS WEEK.

Tailor Cheviots and unfinished Worsteds, 54 inches wide, regular price \$2.25 yd, now \$1.98.

Tailor's Tweeds, 36 inches wide, \$2.25 values, special, per yard \$1.98.

Meltons and Cheviots in green, casor and tan, 56 inches wide, regular price \$1.75 per yd. special \$1.58.

Rainy-day Skirtings in green, brown and blue, plain mixtures and chalk lines, 36 inches wide, values per yd \$1.50, special price per yard \$1.38.

A. Dunbar Co.

"Prosto" saves a fourth of the expense, half of the trouble, and all of the anxiety of pastry and biscuit making. For sale at Fisher Bros.

Where are you going, my pretty maid? To Johnson Brothers, after Perfection Blend coffee, kind sir," she said.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Frey was held yesterday from St. Mary's Catholic church with interment at Greenwood.

There is a best in everything. We are convinced that we have it in canned fruits and vegetables. If you give it a trial you will acknowledge it. Johnson Bros.

In the probate court yesterday Edward Ridderbusch was appointed administrator of the estate of Richard E. Birchard who was yesterday adjudged insane.

C. E. Bayles is in the city from Noms. Mr. Bayles expects to remain away from the north until spring when he will return to attend to his newly acquired interests.

The funeral of William Narberg, who died Saturday last at St. Mary's hospital, was held yesterday from Pohl's undertaking parlors. The interment was at the expense of the county.

A telephone message was received from Warrenton yesterday afternoon stating that yesterday's tide there was the highest in 20 years. The water came over the dyke in many places and East Warrenton was badly flooded. The long plank walk there was damaged, but otherwise there was no loss.

W. L. DOULGAS

\$3.50 SHOES

BEST IN THE WORLD UNION MADE . . .

S. A. Gimre

543 Bond Street SOLE AGENT FOR ASTORIA

The funeral of the late Miss Winnifred Marian Airth will be held today. Private services will be conducted at the residence, and public services at the First Presbyterian church, at 1 o'clock. The interment will be in Greenwood.

It is reported that the Toke Point Oyster company has suffered much loss during the past month or two. Bad management at the beds is said to have been the cause of much of the damage, while the recent storms resulted in additional loss. It is stated that the beds have been allowed to become covered with moss in some places, and the damage is said to be in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

The Ilwaco football team did not put in an appearance on Sunday to meet the Columbia team of this city, and a large crowd was disappointed. The Ilwaco team had arranged to have the Vanguard bring over the crowd, but the steamer failed to show up at Ilwaco. Efforts were made to get a steamer from this city, but there were no available boats. The game will take place at some later date, and in the meanwhile the teams will devote their time to practice.

At the meeting of Gateway Rebekah lodge last evening the following officers were elected: Noble grand, Miss Beasie Babo; vice-grand, Miss Alma Johnson; secretary, Miss Clara Munson; financial secretary, Miss Irene Johnson; treasurer, Mrs. Sophie Utzinger. At the close of the meeting a past grand's medal was presented to Mrs. Clara P. Hobson, for her faithfulness and devotion to the lodge. The sister was very much surprised, but responded with a neat speech of thanks. Mrs. Hobson will soon join her husband at Everett, Wash.

The weather has been very severe for the past 48 hours, but no damage has thus far been done. The wind has at times attained a velocity that bordered on a hurricane speed and rain has fallen almost incessantly. A story was current in Portland yesterday that a ship was ashore at the mouth of the river, but the origin of the yarn was not learned. Passengers arriving down on last night's train said it was generally believed on the streets in Portland that a wreck had occurred. In spite of the heavy blow, a French ship managed to get into the harbor yesterday.

An easterner who was in the city yesterday spoke in flattering terms of Oregon weather. During the early afternoon the sun shone brightly, but soon a thunder storm came up, and for a short time lightning flashed to the accompanying roar from the heavens. Then followed a mixture of rain and hail. The approaching storm drove back the sun, but at the height of the shower old Sol made his appearance, affording a combination of thunder, lightning, rain, hail and sunshine all at once. The wonderful weather possibilities here seemed to please the visitor very much.

The annual grand session of the United Finnish Brotherhood of the World is being held in this city in the K. of P. hall. The session opened yesterday morning and will last three days. Yesterday the business done was the election of officers as follows: Grand president, Peter G. Sundberg of San Francisco lodge No. 1; vice-president, Albert Pattamus of Astoria lodge No. 2; grand recorder, Charles Laity of No. 2; treasurer, Jacob Moore, No. 2; chaplain, Edward Erickson of Carbonado No. 3; inside guardian, Martin Jacobson, No. 2; outside guardian, Emanuel Manula of No. 2; grand trustees, Erik Gustafson, Sam Peterson and Oscar Johnson, all local.

"Yon Yonson" seems to be an everlasting favorite with Astoria theatergoers. Fishers' was packed last evening, despite the storm, and the crowd was very well pleased. Indeed, the general verdict was that P. J. Kennedy's presentation of the play was the best ever seen here. Neise Erickson essayed the title role, and was practically the show. He has a fine appearance and an adaptability for the part, and the applause which greeted him at times was a flattering tribute to his work. Belle Dolan was very clever in an Irish character part, and Patti Rosa was not half bad as "Jennie Morse." The other members of the troupe, however, did not distinguish themselves in any pronounced manner. Mr. Erickson sang a solo that made a decided hit, and probably would have been singing yet had he consulted the wishes of the crowd. Miss Rosa's solo, "My Zulu Belle," was also well received and she received a deserved encore.

Richard E. Birchard was yesterday adjudged insane and was committed to the asylum. Sheriff Linville and Deputy Mikkelsen left last evening for Salem with the patient. The demented man is a resident of Nehalem valley and at the time of his mental collapse was serving as justice of the peace of Miskawaka precinct.

Through an error, the names of two prize winners in the bird essay contest were omitted from the list published Sunday morning. In the fourth grade Guy Sanborn was given a prize and in the first Mildred Copeland's composition was considered worthy of honorable mention. Both pupils attend the Shively school. The omission of their names was purely an oversight.

President C. S. Mellen, a number of prominent officials of the Northern Pacific and a few political friends of St. Paul spent yesterday in Portland. The party arrived in the city Sunday night from Seattle on a special train and yesterday left out for Puget sound, as a preliminary to the trip east. The newspaper men swarmed about Mellen during his stay in Portland but it was rather hard to get anything out of him. The inspection that is being made of the system does not seem to relate particularly to Portland or its interests, but is rather a regulation trip and not actuated by any special motives. Still by dint of questioning, President Mellen was induced to say that a route is being surveyed into the Klletat country and that the road will be built. No plans are yet formed for building down the north side of the Columbia but the line will be built to Lytle. After dilating upon the weather for a time the magnate referred to the Lewis and Clark fair. He doesn't place much reliance in the exposition as a financial venture and said that he would hardly care to invest any money in it. He remarked that with the St. Louis fair and other attractions coming up the Portland exposition would be like a Fourth of July celebration—with a lot of fireworks and no one there to see them. He denied the existence of the Northern Securities merger. He said that the Great Northern owns one-half of the Burlington system, and the Northern Pacific the other half, but that there was no merger about it.

TO HELP THE CHURCH.

PUPILS OF SISTERS' CONVENT TO GIVE ENTERTAINMENT ON FRIDAY EVENING.

The pupils of the Convent of the Holy Names will give an entertainment next Friday evening to assist the new Catholic church fund. The entertainment will be held at Fishers' opera house and a musical and literary treat is promised. The following program will be rendered:

- Band March.....Convent Ceciliaans
 - Good Night Drill
 - Caprice.....Engelmann
 - Cheerfulness, Vocal Trio.....Gumbert
 - Hesitation.....Kusener
 - Song of the Mystic.....
 -Recitative and Pantomime
- THROUGH DARKNESS TO LIGHT
A Drama in Four Acts
- Act I.....Home of the Heartwells
 - Dixie Fantaisie
 - Act II.....Trixley Mansion
 - Marche Militaire
 - Act III.....A Prison
 - Act IV.....Trixley Mansion
- Awakening of the Lion....De Kotski
- Valse Elegante....Convent Ceciliaans
- A. M. D. G.

PERSONAL MENTION

Ray McIntyre of Hammond is in the city.

Fodie Bidwell is in the city from the west side.

A. L. Young, a Portlander, arrived last night.

E. M. Grimes of Seaside was in the city yesterday.

H. B. Jenkins a resident of Deep river is in the city.

L. N. Day arrived in the city last night from Portland.

Larry Sullivan was in the city yesterday from Portland.

P. F. Halferty will leave this morning for Markham, Wash.

W. R. Roberts of the U. S. Life Saving service is in the city.

George Lewis arrived in the city last night from a visit to eastern Oregon.

Miss Pearl Chance of Portland is in the city visiting her father, William Chance.

Perry Olsen arrived in the city yesterday from Little Falls, Wash., enroute for Warrenton.

Mrs. Walter O. Barnes leaves tomorrow for Berkeley where she will visit for several weeks with her mother, Mrs. DeYo.

You are cordially invited to attend the annual sale given by the ladies of Grace church, afternoon and evening of Thursday, November 20, in the basement of the church. Sale commences at 2:30. Light refreshments will be served.

SUSPECTS ARE JAILED

MEN WHO TRIED TO DESTROY FORT STEVENS.

Portland Detective Made the Capture After Serving a Short Enlistment.

According to the story that comes to The Astorian in an indirect way from a man who is connected the Fort Stevens, the arrest of the three men who are now locked up in the guardhouse awaiting trial by courtmartial for attempting to burn the post was a clever piece of work on the part of a Portland officer, said to be Detective Simmons. It is said that the arrest of the three men will bring out all the facts in connection with the incendiarism, and that the guilty persons will be given the punishment they so richly deserve.

For months past efforts to burn the fort were periodically made, and so daring and mysterious were the operations of the incendiaries that general alarm was felt at the post. Guards were doubled and every other possible precaution was taken to catch the offenders, but, despite the watchfulness of the officers and troops, the attempts continued. A week ago the incendiaries again tried to destroy the fort, but the fire was extinguished before it had done much damage.

The detective who brought about the arrest of the men is said to have come to Astoria and remained for several days, making the acquaintance of soldiers. Later he went to the post and enlisted. After a short stay he satisfied himself of the guilt of one of the men, with whom he became quite friendly. On pay day detective and suspect received their money, and soldier-like, came to the city to spend it. While here the detective told the soldier he intended deserting, and the soldier became confidential enough to tell the officer that he, too, had planned to leave the army. It was agreed that both should leave together, and the Portland train carried them out the following night.

At Portland the suspect unboomed himself to the detective. He said he was the ringleader of the incendiaries and that he had planned the fires, and even went so far as to give the names of his confederates. After getting a damaging confession from the man, the detective disclosed his identity and placed the soldier under arrest. On

telegraphic instructions from the detective, the arrest of the accomplices followed. The ringleader was brought back to the post and locked up there with the other men.

It is impossible to state just when the trial of the soldiers will be held, but that the right men have been arrested seems certain. So far as has been learned, the men have given no reason for their efforts to burn the post.

MARINE NOTES

The German bark Nai left up the river yesterday.

The German ship Altherthal arrived in Sunday from Callao in ballast.

The American barkentine Hawaii left up the river Sunday to take on lumber.

The French bark Nantes from Nanquasi arrived in port yesterday in ballast.

The British ship Crown of Denmark arrived down yesterday with wheat for Europe.

The four-masted schooner Mindora was towed up the river yesterday to load lumber.

The three-masted schooner Roy Somers passed out Sunday for California with lumber.

The four-masted schooner Olga left up the river yesterday to take on a load of lumber.

The three-masted schooner C. H. Watson passed out Sunday with lumber for California.

The British bark Ancenis arrived down the river Sunday from Portland with a cargo of flour for South Africa.

The German ship Aster arrived in Sunday from Valparaiso in ballast. During the voyage a storm carried away her mizzen royal yard.

BIG REDUCTION SALE.

Mrs. R. Ingleton will inaugurate a sweeping reduction sale of ladies and children's hats, to continue for 30 days. Remember that every 50-cent purchase gives you a chance for an elegant \$500 piano.

MRS. R. INGLETON,
Welch Block

STARTLING, BUT TRUE

"If everyone knew what a grand medicine Dr. King's New Life Pills is," writes D. H. Turner, Dempsetown, Pa., "you'd sell all you have in a day. Two weeks use has made a new man of me." Infallible for constipation, stomach and liver troubles. 25c at Chas. Rogers' drug store.

FINANCES OF THE CITY

REPORTS OF OFFICERS FOR THE LAST QUARTER.

Municipal Debt Shown to Be More Than \$180,000—Meeting of Council.

The reports of Auditor Nelson and City Treasurer Dealey for the quarter ending September 30 were made public yesterday. They show that the debt of the city is more than \$180,000. The report of the treasurer shows the receipts and disbursements to have been as follows:

Cash on hand July 30.....	\$31 727 26
Receipts during quarter.....	17 204 47
Total.....	\$50 632 03
Disbursements for quarter.....	12 233 72
Balance on hand.....	\$38 798 31

The report of the auditor shows the city indebtedness to be as follows:

INDEBTEDNESS

Municipal bonds.....	\$173 050 00
Municipal street bonds.....	12 126 42
Municipal Warrants.....	33 941 79
Municipal street warrants.....	4 816 58
Total indebtedness.....	\$224 934 80

RESOURCES:

Cash on hand.....	\$ 30 798 31
Unpaid street assessments.....	13 973 78
Total.....	\$ 44 772 09

The excess of liabilities is \$180,162.71.

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

Little Business Transacted By City Fathers Last Night.

A brief session of the council was held last night, President Hansen presiding in the absence of Mayor Superrant, who has been ill for a few days. Little business was transacted.

A resolution was adopted providing for the construction of a drain on Eighteenth street from Grand avenue to a point north as far as may be deemed necessary. Other resolutions were adopted declaring the intention of the council to construct a drain for the purpose of reducing the pond on Harrison avenue that has been giving trouble of late, and providing for a meeting of the board of equalization to equalize the assessment for the improvement of Commercial street between Sixth and Third. The board of assessors was instructed to levy assessments for payment of the improve-

ment of Franklin avenue between Fifth and Fourth, which cost \$1100; to pay for the Thirty-fourth street drain, costing \$1275, and to defray the cost of improving Bond street in West Astoria. The latter improvement cost \$298. An ordinance establishing the grade of Irving avenue between Thirty-fifth and Thirty-ninth streets was passed.

A petition from E. C. Jeffers with reference to an erroneous assessment against property now owned by him was referred to the street committee and city attorney, who will act upon the matter.

An ordinance was introduced appropriating \$42.18 for the benefit of J. Q. A. Bowly, who was overassessed. Ordinances were passed to pay \$504.70 to the county for recording deeds and to pay \$193 to W. A. Goodin for improving Taylor avenue.

Claims were allowed as follows: Budget, \$18.45; Sherman Transfer company, \$8.25; Fisher Bros., \$25.75; A. Leberman, \$76.50; John Ryan \$20; O. Peterson, \$2.50; H. McLaughlin, \$17.50; A. V. Allen, \$60; W. J. Schully, \$2.60; Mrs. H. H. Scheel, \$21.88; Great Eastern Furniture company, \$15.50; Foard & Stokes, \$2.85; Astoria Box works, \$17.37; Scoy Bay Iron and Brass works, \$8.20; Astoria Electric company \$19; Schottfeld & Hauke, \$150; C. A. Leineweber, \$5; Andrew Asp, \$16.25; R. M. Gaston, \$1.25; Prael & Cook, \$1.50.

I have just received a line of perfumes from the Imperial Crown Perfume company, also a shipment of Sotion Falmer's choicest odors. Rogers, druggist.

Pears'

People have no idea how crude and cruel soap can be. It takes off dirt. So far, so good, but what else does it do.

It cuts the skin and frets the under-skin; makes redness and roughness and leads to worse. Not soap, but the alkali in it.

Pears' Soap has no free, alkali in it. It neither reddens nor roughens the skin. It responds to water instantly; washes and rinses off in a twinkling; is as gentle as strong; and the after-effect is every way good.

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